

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-10461)

FROM : SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
IS-R-CUBA

DATE: 7/3/64

Leak of Information as Carried
in "The Dallas Morning News," 6/27 & 28/64

"The Dallas Times Herald," of 7/1/64, carried an article captioned, "WADE Denies Diary Leaked."

This article states that WILLIAM A. MCKENZIE, attorney for MARINA OSWALD, had said he had learned of the sale of the diary to American and possibly foreign newspapers. He was quoted as stating that in telephone conversation with MONROE GENSER, Vice President of the New York Journal American, he was told that GENSER's paper had purchased the right to publish the diary from "The Dallas Morning News" and that the New York Journal American printed the diary and the accompanying stories on the same days as "The Dallas Morning News."

This article states Mr. MCKENZIE asserted the diary was the property of MARINA OSWALD and he had been told it had been sold to newspapers and magazines throughout the world.

This article states that Mr. MCKENZIE had been contacted repeatedly by a large weekly magazine that wished to purchase the rights from the proper person, namely, MARINA OSWALD. The article revealed that the magazine had emphatically stated it did not wish to purchase from those who obviously did not have the right to sell the diary.

This article stated that MCKENZIE's concern was twofold; first, he wanted to know who released the diary and, secondly, he was concerned about the protection of individual rights in this country and the legal processes enforcing same. When asked his opinion about the diary being distributed to other news media, Mr. MCKENZIE said, "I do not personally think that anyone has a legal right to print the diary and then copyright the story containing excerpts from the diary and sell same to other news media."

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Will interview WILLIAM A. MCKENZIE for full details concerning his knowledge of the publication of the diary and other documents by "The Dallas Morning News."